

Visuals	Audio	Backup
Cutout image of Ann Marie Buerkle against a scenic outdoor background	FEMALE VO: If Congresswoman Ann Marie Buerkle wins...	
Scenic outdoor background ejects	What do we stand to lose?	
<p>Replaced by image of polluted air from factory, child with inhaler</p> <p>CG: Gut air and water protections</p> <p>Cite: HR 2250, House Vote 791, 10/13/11; HR 2681, House Vote 764, 10/6/11; HR 2018, House Vote 573, 7/13/11</p>		<p>Buerkle voted to block rules limiting toxic mercury pollution that causes birth defects, respiratory illnesses and premature deaths. Buerkle voted to block rules limiting toxic air pollution from cement plants, the nation’s 2nd largest source of mercury emissions. She also voted against reducing toxic pollution from boilers and incinerators, the nation’s 3rd largest source of mercury emissions. Every year toxic air pollutants like mercury and arsenic are responsible for thousands of premature deaths, millions of cases of respiratory ailments like asthma attacks, and millions of lost work days. Mercury in particular is so widespread that one in twelve women of childbearing age is likely to have mercury levels high enough to put her baby at risk of having difficulties walking, talking, reading, writing, and learning. [HR 2681, House Vote 764, 10/6/11; HR 2250, House Vote 791, 10/13/11]</p> <p>Buerkle voted to dismantle Clean Water Act. Buerkle voted for the so-called Clean Water Cooperative Federalism Act of 2011, which would threaten waterways Americans depend on for swimming, fishing, and drinking. The bill would amend the Clean Water Act in such a way as to cripple the EPA’s ability to set a minimum “floor” for a state’s water quality standards, blocking the agency’s ability to limit pollution flowing downstream to other waters and also into other states. The bill would also gut the Clean Water Act provisions that protect streams, wetlands, and other bodies of water from harmful large-scale mining and other destructive projects. As OMB Watch has noted, the bill “would dismantle the federal- state relationship envisioned under the [Clean Water Act] by stripping EPA of its abilities to object to state-approved permits under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program, revise state water quality standards, and veto dredge and fill permits issued by the Army Corps of Engineers.”</p>

		[HR 2018, House Vote 573 , 7/13/11; 2011 LCV National Environmental Scorecard ; OMB Watch , 7/15/11]
<p>Replaced by image of a major storm or flood</p> <p>CG: Climate change a “myth”</p> <p>Cite: Syracuse Post-Standard, 10/14/10</p>		<p>Buerkle claimed “a lot of the global warming myth has been exposed.” An October 14, 2010 article in the Syracuse Post-Standard reported: “A group of six prominent Central New York scientists and environmental leaders Thursday condemned Republican congressional candidate Ann Marie Buerkle for her comments in a televised debate in which she questioned whether global climate change was real. ... In the debate televised by Your News Now on Wednesday, Buerkle said ‘a lot of the global warming myth has been exposed.’ But on Thursday she said she was referring to a scandal among climate scientists, whose leaked emails suggested they may have had a personal bias. Buerkle, however, said she believes ‘the jury is still out’ on the bigger issue of global climate change.” [Post-Standard, 10/14/10].</p>
<p>Cutout image of Ann Marie Buerkle against a Capitol background</p>	<p>And if Ann Marie Buerkle wins...</p>	
<p>Capitol background ejects</p>	<p>Who else wins?</p>	
<p>Replaced by image of oil spill, an oil company HQ</p> <p>CG: Took Thousands from Big Oil</p> <p>Cite: Center for Responsive Politics</p> <p>CG: Big Oil Tax Breaks: \$4 Billion</p> <p>Cite: H Con Res 112, House Vote 151, 3/29/12; HJR 44, House Vote 153, 3/01/11</p>		<p>Exxon Mobil has contributed \$10,500 to Buerkle’s campaigns. Exxon Mobil is among Buerkle’s top 20 political contributors. [Center for Responsive Politics]</p> <p>Buerkle has received \$5,000 from Koch Industries. [Center for Responsive Politics]</p> <p>Buerkle has received \$9,300 from Lukoil Pan Americas. According to their website, the Russian-owned Lukoil is “The 3rd largest private oil company worldwide by proven reserves of hydrocarbons.” [Center for Responsive Politics; Center for Responsive Politics; Lukoil Company Website]</p> <p>Buerkle voted for the extreme Ryan budget, which would protect oil subsidies. As the Center for American Progress has noted, Ryan’s budget plan “would retain a decade’s worth of oil tax breaks worth \$40 billion.” [H CON RES 34, House Vote 277, 4/15/11; H CON RES 112, House Vote 151, 3/29/12; Center for American Progress,</p>

		3/20/12] Buerkle voted to provide taxpayer handouts to oil companies. Buerkle voted against a measure that would have prohibited the use of funds in a stopgap continuing appropriations bill be used for tax benefit or relief for any major integrated oil company. [HJ Res 44, House Vote 153 , 3/1/11]
Replaced by images of Limbaugh, Palin CG: Sided with Tea Party Extremists Cite: Syracuse Post-Standard, 7/12/10		Buerkle “asked Palin for her endorsement” in 2010 – and received it. According to the Syracuse Post-Standard, “Buerkle said today she asked Palin for her endorsement, and was pleased when the former vice presidential candidate called her at about noon. ‘She congratulated me for running and said if there was anything she could do to support the campaign, she would be more than willing to do that,’ Buerkle said.” [Syracuse Post-Standard , 7/12/10]
Cutout of Buerkle and background eject	There's only one way to stop her.	
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